

# 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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## LET GO AND LET GOD

Many twelve-step programs use the phrase “Let go and let God.” In all their simplicity, these five words are the heart of today’s readings. For people who struggle with addictive behavior, these words plainly remind us that we can’t manage, control, or manipulate certain areas of our lives. How many times can we look back in our lives and find evidence of some plan at work other than our own? These are the moments when, for whatever reasons, we let someone greater than ourselves work the plan. We probably didn’t even recognize at the time that we were letting go of anything, but in retrospect, we see God’s hand and loving presence. It is our awareness of these moments that gives us the courage and initiative to let go again later on. It is this courage and initiative that are highlighted in today’s readings. We come to call it “faith.”

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## October 2, 2016

### St. Mary Magdalen Parish Mission Statement

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church is called to foster a welcoming community, to form disciples for Jesus Christ and to joyfully evangelize. **Unifying Vision:** Walking together with Christ, igniting the Spirit within, living God’s Call.

#### Parish Weekly Bulletin

## St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

6425 West Metairie Avenue Metairie, Louisiana 70003

#### PARISH OFFICE

Pastor.....Rev. Christian DeLerno, Jr.  
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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday.....9:00AM - 4:00PM  
 After hours by appointment only

#### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon.- Fri., 6:30 AM & 8:30AM; Sat., 8:00 AM

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 2:30-3:30 PM

#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM  
 Sunday Masses - 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM  
 6:00 PM

#### SCHOOL OFFICE

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#### In Church, be sure to visit:

**PRO-LIFE CORNER; ADULT PARISH  
 LENDING LIBRARY; CHILDREN'S  
 CORNER/LIBRARY/PRAYER CENTER**

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#### SOCIAL APOSTOLATE MINISTRY

Hours: Wednesdays, 5:30PM-6:30PM  
 Facility Entrance on W. Metairie Ave. to right  
 of church.....734-5833

#### GIFT SHOP & PRAYER GARDEN

Hours: Tues. & Fri.....1:00PM-5:00PM  
 Saturdays.....2:00PM-5:00PM  
 Sundays.....8:30AM-12:15PM  
 Phone:.....734-5833

**BAPTISMS:** Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 12:15PM. Baptism Seminars on 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 7:00PM (NOTE new time) in Chapel. Baptism Seminar is mandatory for first child.

**Archdiocesan Policy on Infant Baptism:** [www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptismOR](http://www.arch-no.org/HumanResources/Policies/PolicyonInfantBaptismOR) may be found on the Parish website.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:** Must have 2 consecutive years of Catholic religious instruction prior to reception of these sacraments. Contact Parish Religious Education Coordinator for further information.

**WEDDINGS:** Contact Parish priest at least 6 to 8 months prior to planned date of marriage. Celebrated Friday evenings; Saturday mornings, early afternoons or evenings. Church Fee: \$300; Chapel Fee: \$100.

**FUNERALS:** You are encouraged to celebrate funerals in our Church or Chapel. Wakes & visitation also possible.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** Communion brought to Homebound weekly by Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. Anointing of Sick available on individual basis by appointment.

**CARE OF THE NEEDY:** See Social Apostolate Ministry.

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Sundays, 12:15-1:15PM

Call Parish Office for further information.

**PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**  
**Metairie, Louisiana**  
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*Rev. Christian W. DeLerno, Jr.*

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*Rev. Vincent Phan*

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, October 3**

6:30 AM Imbragaglio & Breath Families

8:30 AM Kathryn Stewart

**Tuesday, October 4**

***Feast of St. Francis of Assisi***

6:30 AM Edith Blancher, Sally McMenamin

8:30 AM Jerry Hardin

**Wednesday, October 5**

6:30 AM Gus Barbier

8:30 AM Peter Bonano

**Thursday, October 6**

6:30 AM Fr. Earl LaRose

8:30 AM Cindy Spence

**Friday, October 7**

***Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary***

6:30 AM Carolyn Mouton

8:30 AM Fr. Bob Bowen

**Saturday, October 8**

8:00 AM Barbier, Blancher & Newell Families

**Saturday, October 8**

***28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil***

4:00 PM Rosalie Couch, Aimee Marus, Norma & Lance Hubble, Mary Frances Jeffers, Tom Jeffers, Jay Patrick Jeffers, Fr. Michael Joseph Nguyen, Dean D'Arcangelo, Jim & Maude Munson, Doris Radosti, Vetter Amadeo Taylor, Jerry Puyau, Mary Ann Schmitt, Tony DiFranco, Cindy Spence, Floyd Hyer, Earl & Lillian Dennies, Marcia D'Amico, Living Intention for Marilyn Reynolds, Theresa Bordelon

**Sunday, October 9**

***28th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

8:00 AM Jud Mitchell & Lacinak Family

9:30 AM SMM Parishioners

11:00 AM Hallie Espenan, Teen Weidenbacher, Jerry Fulton, Robert Buse, Sr., Jim Stroup, Roy & Carol Hoffman, Troy DiFranco, Jr.

6:00 PM Ronco Family

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Jackie Markey, Teresa Lacour, Ryan Thiel, Gracelyn Chaplain, Dennis Coughlin, Jr., Kelly Fletcher Growl, Kenneth & Kevin Teen, Ben Todd, Joe Giarratano, Luca Scozzari, Evelyn Olwell, Brian Dufour, Mary Ann Meaux, Dilly Surratt, Yvonne Toups, Ryan Songy, Gayle Songy, Nathan Lopiccolo, Linda Nicholls, Sherry St. Pe, Ann Flick & Family, Rosemarie Entringer, Judge Thomas Wicker, Ivan Antunovic, Arianna Crawford, Claire Duplantier, Daphine Dufour, Gloria Robles, Melissa Glueck, Danny Adams, Allison Daigre, Olivia Sumrall, Michael Borne, Bob & Linda Veitinger, Elise Ramcourt, Jeanene Moran, Kelly Nagy, Cindy Hogman, Addison Couvillion, Jerry Fender, Linda Conran, Kayla Pelman, Nick Doize, Marcia Graff, David Robins, Ashley Clement, Wanda Adams, Jenny Mayeur, Judith Massa, Carol P. Ramos, Rosemary Pizza, Julianne Andressen, Lauretta Erwin, Ryan Olwell, Judy Copping, Kathy Barbier, Jessica LeBlanc, Viola Juneau, Betty Feltey, Barry Stephens, Lori Lambert, Kathryn Feltey, Frank Kent, Ray Groves, Michael Rodriguez, Kathleen E. Jones, Melanie Gaumond, Alice Rockvoan, Rose Marie Curran, Anthony James Lapinto, Louise DeLuca, Perry Juneau, Mark Lucich, Willie Arnouville, Chad Costes, Sherry Gaffney, Dean Babin, Janet Kaleher, Norvin Schexnaildre, Dianne Seman, Matthew DiBuono, Oliver Duplantier, David Williamson, Toni Landry, Musette Barrouquere, Riecke Gernon, Daniel Hereford, David Williamson, Katherine Sclafani, Catherine Carlin, Gerard Hollingsworth, Edie Dorion, Carl Cafferall, Heidi Nuss, Luke Nuss, Donald Booth



**BURIED IN CHRIST**

***Beverly Bordelon Miller***  
***Samuel Mordica, III***

**PRAYER DURING HURRICANE SEASON**

"Through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, may we be spared all loss of life and property during this hurricane season, we pray to the Lord."

*Hurricane season began June 1.*

**CELEBRATING CATHOLIC FAMILIES**

*Living the Word*

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

A tiny mustard seed grows to greatness, even though the even though the magnificent mulberry tree has vast, deep roots. It only takes a small amount of faith, then to accomplish great things. We don't necessarily need a vast, deep faith, we need a stronger faith. During this week share the Apostles' Creed to remind the family that faith is a gift from God.



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Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.  
— Psalm 95:6

**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH**



October is the month when we recall the tragic ways our country has turned away from the **Gospel of Life**. During this month, we will have a weekly reflection on respecting life: *“Nothing, not even a patient’s request - which more often than not is a cry for help - can justify the taking of a life which is precious in the eyes of God and which can be a great gift of love to a family even in the suffering of the final days.”* Pope St. John Paul II

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**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**

*27th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Jubilee of Marian Devotion begins next Saturday “How long, O LORD?” (Habakkuk 1:2). With Habakkuk’s question echoing across twenty-six hundred years, Respect Life Sunday finds all life claiming sanctuary in our hearts: unborn infant, senior citizen, immigrant and refugee, imprisoned and addicted, people burdened with illness and disabilities of body, mind, or spirit. Even Mother Earth, Pope Francis notes in *Laudato Si’*, bears scars of disrespect for the life she nurtures and sustains. Life is still threatened, as in Habakkuk’s day, with ruin and misery, “destruction and violence, . . . strife and clamorous discord” (see 1:3).



Since our efforts so often seem ineffective, we “unprofitable servants” cry with the apostles, “Increase our faith” (Luke 17:10, 5). But Jesus’ reply might be paraphrased, “Not quantity—quality.” Next weekend marks the *Jubilee Year of Mercy’s* special devotion to Mary, whose willingness to shelter Jesus in her womb and stand at the foot of his cross bears witness to the qualities that Jesus expects our faith to manifest: the willingness to trust, to risk, and to dare to speak up for life.

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**SMM SCHOOL & PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAMS**

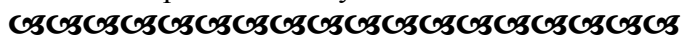
During this month, both religion programs will be focusing on...**Respect Life**

**Prayer for Life**

*Almighty God, Our Father, you have given us life and intend for us to live forever. Grant us your blessings as we stand together and pray for LIFE. Ground us in the belief that human life is sacred, because all people were made in your image and likeness. And give us the courage to stand up and defend all life from creation until natural death. Help us to teach by word and example that all men, women and children, in every land, on every continent are precious because we are a gift from God, who is all Love. Grace us with the strength and the wisdom we need to eliminate poverty, discrimination and ignorance that diminish the value of life in our country. May the tender mercy of God shine on those who sit in darkness and death’s shadow and guide our feet into the path of peace. Amen.*

**CHILDREN’S CORNER**

**OCTOBER:** Month of the Rosary. Prayer Center Theme is: *Blessed Mother, please ask Jesus to help me...* Put written intentions in the pumpkin; they will be offered up at all Sunday Masses once a month.



Pope Saint Pius V established the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary** on **October 7**. The development of the rosary has a long history. The practice was developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus’ life was attached to each Hail Mary. The development of this form of prayer was developed by the followers of St. Dominic. In the 16th century, the rosary we pray today was developed to include 15 mysteries (joyful, sorrowful & glorious. In 2002, the luminous mysteries were added



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**Readings for Sunday, October 9:**

**First Reading** — Naaman, cleansed from his leprosy, returns to Elisha and pledges his belief in and allegiance to the LORD (2 Kings 5:14-17). **Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98). **Second Reading** — Remember Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead. If we persevere, we shall reign with him (2 Timothy 2:8-13). **Gospel** — After ten lepers are cleansed by Jesus, only one, a Samaritan, returns to give him thanks (Luke 17:11-19).

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**Prayer to Saint Michael, the Archangel**  
St. Michael, Archangel defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes (9/18)	\$ 6132.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 1839.07</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8971.07</b>
<b>2nd Collection-Catholic Communications</b>	<b>\$ 1954.00</b>
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### LET'S PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

In order to support vocations in our diocese, you are asked to add a special prayer for seminarians to your daily prayers. The best way to encourage and support our seminarians is to pray for them.

#### Prayer for Vocations

*Loving God, How awesome are your ways! Through your abundant love you bless us with gifts that can make our world holy and just. Dwell deep in our hearts that we may know how to share these gifts. Inspire many to respond generously to your call to service in the Church. May the fire of your love direct us on our journey that we may act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with you. We give you the praise and honor now and forever. Amen.*

### 2016 GREATER N.O. ROSARY CONGRESS

The Rosary Congress for Life, Reparation and Peace in our city, nation and world will be held at St. Clement of Rome Church, 3978 West Esplanade Avenue in Metairie, Louisiana on **October 3-7, 2016**. The weekday-long gathering honoring "Our Lady of Mercy" will feature continuous Eucharistic Adoration and hourly recitation of the rosary except during special events. Masses and Divine Praises will be celebrated at Noon and 7:30 p.m. daily with confessions available before all Masses.

### A PRAYER FOR EVERY FAMILY

by St. John Paul II

God, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and earth descends, Father, who are Love and Life, ensure that every human family on earth shall become, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, "born of woman," and through the Holy Spirit, the source of divine charity, a true shrine of life and love for the generations which are always renewing themselves. Ensure that Your grace shall guide the thoughts and the works of spouses toward the good of their families and of all families in the world. Ensure that the young generations shall find firm support in the family for their humanity and their growth in truth and love. Ensure the love, reinforced by the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony shall show itself to be stronger than any weakness and every crisis through which our families pass at times. Amen.

### PRAYER LIST FOR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

*We pray for those in our parish who are fighting overseas for our country and against terrorism.*

SPC Donald Monteleone, Jr., Air National Guard; Sgt. Brian Lane, Lt. Col. Jason E. Burkett, USMC; Matthew J. Scott, USN; Seth Restivo, Evan Lina; PFC Kenny Grunberg; Lt. Spencer Farmer, Army Rangers; PFC Matthew Ballard; Lt. Joseph Bush, US Army; GySgt Albert Latour Jr., USMC; Maj. Ignacio Assasf, USANG; Sgt. Matt Llewelan, USANG; SPC Derek Vial, US Army; MN3 Ethen Meyers, Michael J. Cristie, Sp. Serv., Brian Calvo, US Army; SPC Scott Hale



### Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

### SANCTITY OF LIFE SERIES

St. Edward the Confessor Church invites you to join them in a series entitled: *Sanctity of Life*. We all have the right & responsibility to know "What does our Church teach?" This series presented by Concerned Catholics for the Sanctity of Life will be offered from 7-9PM in St. Edward Church on these dates: **October 4 (topic: *Laudato Si-Pope Francis on a Rampage*) & October 11**. All speakers are provided from the Archdiocese Respect Life Office.

### PRAYER FOR THE HELPLESS UNBORN

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us, protect against the wickedness of the devil, those helpless little ones to whom You have given the gift of life. Touch with pity the hearts of those women pregnant in our world today who are not thinking of motherhood. Help them to see that the child they carry is made in Your image—as well as theirs—made for eternal life. Dispel their fear and selfishness and give them true womanly hearts to love their babies and give them birth and all the needed care that a mother alone can give. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, October 3

SMM School Adoration in Chapel, 9:15-10:15 AM  
Parish School of Religion Classes, 6:45PM-8:00 PM  
Baptismal Seminar in Chapel 7:00 PM  
Men's Club Meeting in Cafeteria 7:30 PM

### Tuesday, October 4

### Wednesday, October 5

Social Services Building open from 5:30PM-6:30PM  
Parents' Club Meeting in Cafeteria 7:30PM

### Thursday, October 6

FOCCUS Survey for Engaged Couples, Rm 28 7:00 PM

### Friday, October 7

### Saturday, October 8

Fair Set-up on Back Field 8:30 AM  
Confessions in Church, 2:30-3:30 PM  
Order of Alhambra Raffle Sale after Mass

### Sunday, October 9

Order of Alhambra Raffle Sale after Masses  
Holy Name Society Mtg in Ministries Bldg 9:00 AM  
Family Mass 9:30 AM  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, 12:15-1:15 PM  
Baptisms in Church 12:15 PM

### NINE DAY NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

The St. Jude Society will be holding their semi-annual devotion to St. Jude at SMM beginning **Monday, October 17** and ending **Tuesday, October 25**. Celebrant & novena homilist will be *Fr. Quentin Moody*.

### NOVENA SCHEDULE

Monday-Fridays, 12:15PM Novena Service & 6PM Mass & Novena  
Saturday, 12:15PM Novena Service & 4PM Mass & Novena  
Sunday, 11AM & 6PM Mass & Novena

### SMM SCHOOL—COUGAR NEWS

Thank you to Deputy Buffa from JPSO for coming to speak to the middle school students on bullying and internet safety. We are also in need of 2 prayer partners for our PK classes. Please contact Mrs. Rodriguez, in the school office, if you are interested.

### CYO RIGHT-to-LIFE CALENDAR SALE

The SMM-CYO will be selling Right-to-Life Calendars for \$5 each outside of the church after all Masses this weekend. Afterwards the calendars will be available for purchase at the rectory office Monday-Thursday, during regular business hours until the end of the month.



### ORDER OF ALHAMBRA RAFFLE

NEXT weekend, the Order of Alhambra, Darro Caravan, will be selling raffle tickets for a beautifully framed and glassed front pages of the Advocate of the Saint's Super Bowl win. The tickets will be \$1 each. The Order of Alhambra is dedicated to the mentally challenged. The funds from the raffle help them finance supper dances and their annual picnic in City Park. They usually give 4 supper dances per year at no cost to the group of about 150 caretakers and the people.



## SMM SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

*"An Adventure of a Lifetime"*

**October 14, 15 & 16, 2016**

### LAST FAIR SET-UP DAY

*Saturday, Oct. 8 at 8:30AM*

You can just show up! Set-up is a BIG job and we could use the help! Students looking for service hours are also welcome! Refreshments & FREE lunch served to all set-up workers!

### ENTRANCE PRIZE RETURNS

Please remember to return the Fair Entrance Prize ticket stubs and money for the tickets you sell. Extra tickets may be picked up in the back of church or at the rectory. Returns can be put in an envelope and deposited in any regular Sunday collection or dropped off at the rectory.

### P.O.P. RIDE TICKETS

P.O.P. Mega-Bands are \$60 (Pre-sale at \$50); Session Bands are \$25 (Pre-sale at \$20); Individual Ride Tickets (Field at the Fair ONLY) - Good for all rides for entire weekend. Pre-Sale Tickets available in Rectory Office thru Thursday; Under Breezeway on Friday of Fair Weekend.

### FESTIVAL T-SHIRTS

SMM Festival T-Shirts are available for purchase at the rectory while supplies last.